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NUMBER THE STARS

Chapters 7-9

Matching Synonyms

A synonym is a word having the same or nearly the same meaning as another word. Read each sentence. Choose a synonym from the word box to replace the italicized word.

hanging	bright	field
upset	sorrow	motioned
skillfully	twisted	rushing
feeling	threat	

Example: _____ *rushing* The kitten was *darting* around the farmyard and pouncing on imaginary mice.

- _____ 1. The farmhouse sat in a *meadow* near the edge of the sea.
- _____ 2. In the peaceful farmhouse, the *specter* of guns and soldiers seemed to be just a bad dream.
- _____ 3. The girls played outside in the *brilliant* sunlight.
- _____ 4. Steady streams of milk hit the sides of the bucket as Uncle Henrik *deftly* milked the cow.
- _____ 5. Annemarie was startled and *dismayed* when Uncle Henrik asked her how brave she was.
- _____ 6. With the wooden casket and lighted candles, the living room was a scene of *mourning*.
- _____ 7. Henrik *gestured* toward the living room, and the man and woman followed him inside.
- _____ 8. The *gnarled* branches of the apple tree made strange shadows in the light from the window.
- _____ 9. Everyone was tense and quiet, and a *sense* of worry filled the room.
- _____ 10. Ellen's father held her tightly in his arms, with her legs *dangling* against his body.